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Serial No.: 10/016,977

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For: COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING AN
ACTIVE FRACTION ISOLATED
FROM SCUTELLARIE BARBATAE
AND METHODS OF USE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in reply to the Final Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 15, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the September 15, 2003 Office Action originally was due December 15, 2003. Enclosed herewith is a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time and authorization to charge the fee due to the undersigned's Deposit Account. In view of the filing of this Petition, a response is now due March 15, 2004. Also enclosed is a Notice of Appeal and authorization to charge the amount of the fee due to the undersigned's Deposit Account. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is timely filed.

The Amendments begin on page 2 of this Reply.

The Remarks begin on page 6 of this Reply.